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D.T.E. 02-80

**Boston Edison Company
Cambridge Electric Light Company
Commonwealth Electric Company**

**2002 Reconciliation
of the
Transition Charge
Transmission Charge
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December 5, 2002



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Re: D.T.E. 02-80, Boston Edison Company, Cambridge Electric Light Company
and Commonwealth Electric Company – 2002 Reconciliation Filing

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Boston Edison Company ("Boston Edison"), Cambridge Electric Light Company ("Cambridge") and Commonwealth Electric Company ("Commonwealth") (together, "NSTAR Electric" or the "Companies") hereby submit an original and nine (9) copies of a combined 2002 Transition Cost Reconciliation Filing for all three NSTAR Electric retail electric companies (the "Filing"). The Filing for Cambridge and Commonwealth is being made in accordance with the requirements of G.L. c. 164, § 1A(a), 220 C.M.R. 11.03(4)(e), and the Restructuring Plan approved by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy (the "Department") in Cambridge Electric Light Company/Commonwealth Electric Company, D.P.U./D.T.E. 97-111 (1998). The Filing for Boston Edison is being made in accordance with the requirements of G.L. c. 164, § 1A(a), 220 C.M.R. 11.03(4)(e), and the Restructuring Settlement, as approved by the Department in Boston Edison Company, D.P.U./D.T.E. 96-23 (1998).

Included with the Filing is a reconciliation of 2002 Transition, Transmission, Standard Offer and Default Service costs and revenues along with proposed updated charges and tariffs to be effective January 1, 2003. In order to comply with statutory rate reduction requirements and the Department's rate design directives, there are minor adjustments to distribution rates in some rate schedules. The primary changes in rates included with this filing are reflected in the following table:

DISTRIBUTION COMPANY	2002 (\$ per kWh)	2003 (\$ per kWh)
Boston Edison Company		
Transition Charge	\$0.01628	\$0.01840
Transmission Charge	\$0.00661	\$0.00751
Standard Offer Charge	\$0.04950	\$0.04950
Energy Efficiency	\$0.00250	\$0.00250
Renewables	\$0.00075	\$0.00050
Cambridge Electric Light Company		
Transition Charge	\$0.01139	\$0.00200
Transmission Charge	\$0.01079	\$0.01976
Standard Offer Charge	\$0.04200	\$0.04700
Energy Efficiency	\$0.00250	\$0.00250
Renewables	\$0.00075	\$0.00050
Default Service Adjustment	\$0.00250	\$0.00160
Commonwealth Electric Company		
Transition Charge	\$0.03030	\$0.02749
Transmission Charge	\$0.00464	\$0.00517
Standard Offer Charge	\$0.04200	\$0.04700
Energy Efficiency	\$0.00250	\$0.00250
Renewables	\$0.00075	\$0.00050

This filing substantially follows the methodology set forth in the Companies' previous annual true-up filings in D.T.E. 01-78 (Boston Edison) and D.T.E. 01-79 (Cambridge and Commonwealth).

Consistent with previous reconciliation filings, this filing includes final reconciliations based upon actual data for 2001 and includes part-actual/part-forecast data for 2002. As with last year's filings, the Companies propose to update this filing in the spring of 2003, to provide year-end data and to allow a final reconciliation for 2002.

In accordance with the Restructuring Plan (Cambridge and Commonwealth) and Restructuring Settlement (Boston Edison) and applicable provisions of the Electric Restructuring Act, Boston Edison, Cambridge and Commonwealth request approval of the tariffs set forth in Attachment A, effective January 1, 2003.

In support of the Companies' Transition Charge Reconciliation Filing, and the accompanying proposed tariff changes, Boston Edison, Cambridge and Commonwealth have enclosed the prefiled testimony and exhibits of Joseph F. Lanzel, Henry C. LaMontagne and Rose Ann Pelletier. Mr. Lanzel's testimony provides a description of the methodology used by Companies to reconcile the forecast of Transition Charge revenues and costs, as well as Transmission revenues and costs. Mr. LaMontagne's testimony describes the proposed rate changes, how the reconciled Transition Charges

will be implemented and what their impact will be on customers' bills. Mr. LaMontagne also provides an exhibit showing the proposed tariff changes in redlined format showing changes from current tariffs. Ms. Pelletier's testimony addresses the reconciliation of Standard Offer and Default Service costs and revenues.

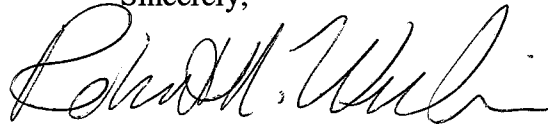
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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Robert N. Werlin", written in a cursive style.

Robert N. Werlin

Enclosures

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Caroline O'Brien, Hearing Officer
Paul Afonso, General Counsel
Service Lists, D.T.E. 01-78 and D.T.E. 01-79

M.D.T.E. No.	Boston Edison Company Rate Schedule	M.D.T.E. No.	Cambridge Electric Light Company Rate Schedule	M.D.T.E. No.	Commonwealth Electric Company Rate Schedule
982	Residential Rate R-1	802	Residential Rate R-1	533	Residential Rate R-1
983	Residential Rate R-2	803	Residential Assistance Rate R-2	534	Residential Assistance Rate R-2
984	Residential Rate R-3	804	Residential Space Heating Rate R-3	535	Residential Space Heating Rate R-3
985	Optional Time-of-Use Rate R-4	805	Residential Assistance Space Heating Rate R-4	536	Residential Assistance Space Heating Rate R-4
986	General Service Rate G-1	806	Optional Residential Time-of-Use Rate R-5	537	Controlled Water Heating (Closed) Rate R-5
987	General Service Rate G-2	807	Optional Residential Space Heating Time-of-Use Rate R-6	538	Optional Residential Time-of-Use Rate R-6
988	General Service Rate G-3	808	General Service Rate G-0 (Non-Demand)	539	General Service Rate G-1
989	Optional Time-of-Use Rate T-1	809	General Service Rate G-1	540	Medium General Time-of-Use Rate G-2
990	Time-of-Use Rate T-2	810	General Use/Secondary Service Rate G-2	541	Large General Time-of-Use Rate G-3
991	Street Lighting Rate S-1	811	General Time-of-Use/13.8 kV Service Rate G-3	542	General Power Rate G-4 (Closed)
992	Street Lighting Rate S-2	812	Optional General Time-of-Use Rate G-4	543	Commercial Space Heating (Closed) Rate G-5
993	Outdoor Lighting Rate S-3	813	Commercial Space Heating (Closed) Rate G-5	544	All Electric School Rate G-6 (Closed)
994	Energy Efficiency Charge	814	Optional General Time-of-Use Rate G-6 (Non-Demand)	545	Optional Time-of-Use Rate G-7
995	MWRA Rate WR	815	Outdoor Lighting Rate S-1	546	Outdoor Lighting Rate S-1
996	Standard Offer Service	816	Standby Service/13.8 kV Rate SB-1	547	Street Lighting-Customer Owned Rate S-2
997	Default Service Adjustment	817	Maintenance Service/13.8 kV Rate MS-1	548	Transition Cost Adjustment
		818	Supplemental Service/13.8 kV Rate SS-1	549	Energy Efficiency Charge
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		820	Energy Efficiency Charge		
		821	Default Service Adjustment		